

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the title "Ultrasound Image Evaluation Apparatus and Method" to -- METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR EVALUATING SCANNERS --

IN THE CLAIMS

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1. (Amended) An apparatus for evaluating an ultrasound scanner, comprising:

- a processor;
- a storage device;
- at least one output device;
- at least one input device; and
- software means operative on the processor for:
 - (a) maintaining in the storage device information on the scanner;
 - (b) maintaining in the storage device information regarding expected performance standards;
 - (c) maintaining in the storage device information regarding at least one phantom test object;
 - (d) inputting via said at least one input device;
 - (e) interactively specifying said at least one phantom test object in image for processing;
 - (f) processing said specified phantom test object in image to quantitatively determine the characteristics of said scanner to evaluate the scanner for diagnostic purposes;